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WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK FOR COLORADO AND NEW MEXICO

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FEDERAL - STATE - PRIVATE COOPERATIVE SNOW SURVEYS

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TO RECIPIENTS OF WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK REPORTS:

Most of the usable water in western states originates as mountain snowfall. This snowfall accumulates during the winter and spring, several months before the snow melts and appears as streamflow. Since the runoff from precipitation as snow is delayed, estimates of snowmelt runoff can be made well in advance of its occurrence. Streamflow forecasts published in this report are based principally on measurement of the water equivalent of the mountain snowpack.

Forecasts become more accurate as more of the data affecting runoff are measured. All forecasts assume that climatic factors during the remainder of the snow accumulation and melt season as they affect runoff will add to be an effective average. Early season forecasts are therefore subject to a greater change than those made on later dates.

The snow course measurement is obtained by sampling snow depth and water equivalent at surveyed and marked locations in mountain areas. A total of about ten samples are taken at each location. The average of these are reported as snow depth and water equivalent. These measurements are repeated in the same location near the same dates each year.

Snow surveys are made monthly or semi-monthly from January 1 through June 1 in most states. There are about 1400 snow courses in Western United States and in the Columbia Basin in British Columbia. In the near future, it is anticipated that automatic snow water equivalent sensing devices along with radio telemetry will provide a continuous record of snow water equivalent at key locations.

Detailed data on snow course and soil moisture measurements are presented in state and local reports. Other data or reservoir storage, summaries of precipitation, current streamflow, and soil moisture conditions at valley elevations are also included. The report for Western United States presents a broad picture of water supply outlook conditions, including selected streamflow forecasts, summary of snow accumulation to date, and storage in larger reservoirs.

Snow survey and soil moisture data for the period of record are published by the Soil Conservation Service by states about every five years. Data for the current year is summarized in a West-wide basic data summary and published about October 1 of each year.

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The Soil Conservation Service publishes reports following the principal snow survey dates from January 1 through June 1 in cooperation with state water administrators, agricultural experiment stations and others. Copies of the reports for Western United States and all state reports may be obtained from Soil Conservation Service, Western Regional Technical Service Center, Room 507, 701 N. W. Glisan, Portland, Oregon 97209.

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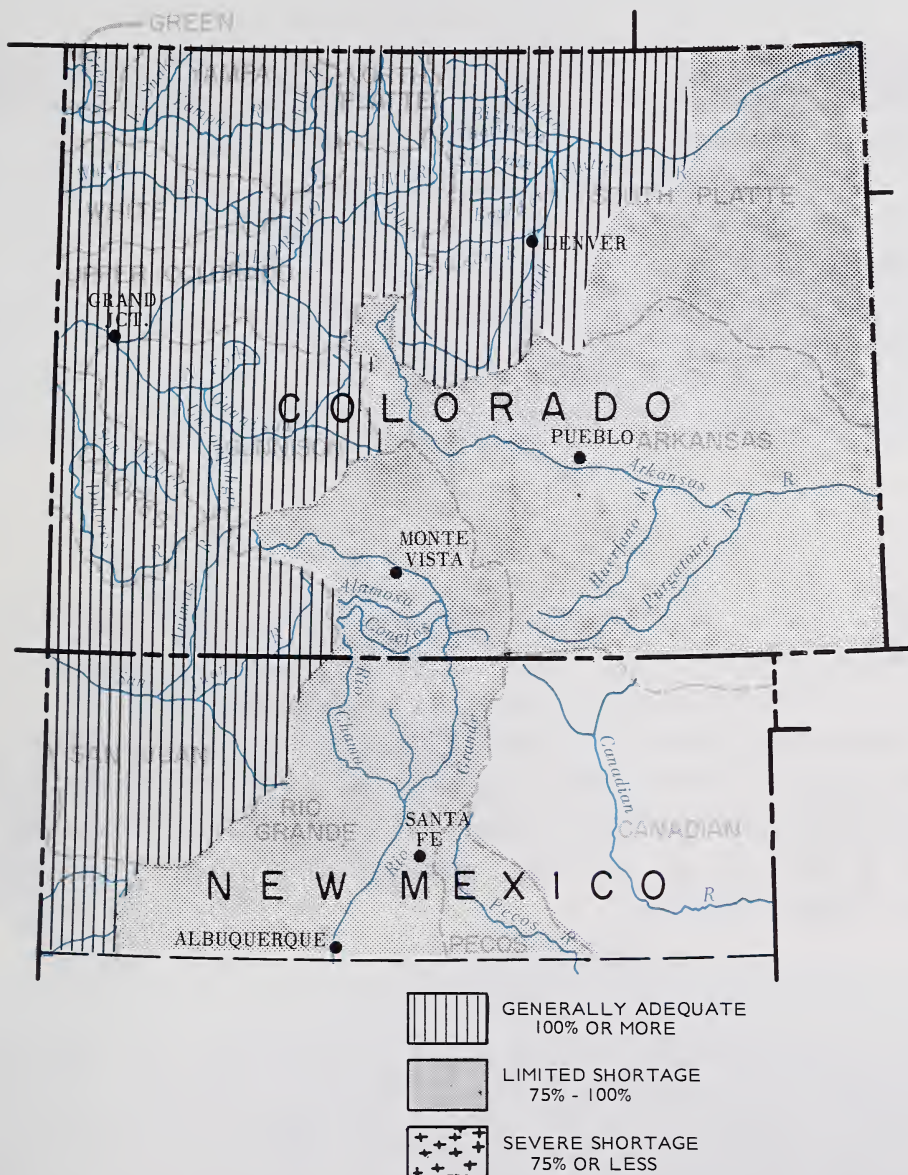
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WATERSHED I	- SOUTH PLATTE RIVER WATERSHED
	Describes water supply conditions in Fort Collins, Big Thompson, Longmont, Boulder Valley, Jefferson, Teller-Park, Douglas County, Morgan, Kiowa, West Arapahoe, West Adams, East Adams, Platte Valley, Southeast Weld, and West Greeley Soil Conservation Districts.
WATERSHED II	- ARKANSAS RIVER WATERSHED
	Describes water supply conditions in Lake County, Upper Arkansas, Fremont, Custer County Divide, Fountain Valley, Black Squirrel, Horse-Rush Creek, Central Colorado, Turkey Creek, Pueblo, Bessemer, Olney Boone, Cheyenne, Upper Huerfano, Stonewall, Spanish Peaks, Purgatoire, Branson Trinchera, Western Baca County, Southeastern Baca County, Two Buttes, Bent, Timpas, Northeast Prowers, Prowers, West Otero, East Otero, and Big Sandy Soil Conservation Districts.
WATERSHED III	- RIO GRANDE WATERSHED (COLORADO)
	Describes water supply conditions in Rio Grande, Center, Mosca Hooper, Mt. Blanca, Sanches, and Culebra Soil Conservation Districts.
WATERSHED IV	- RIO GRANDE WATERSHED (NEW MEXICO)
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WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

as of

March 1, 1968



The map on this page indicates the most probable water supply as of the date of this report. Estimates assume average conditions of snow fall, precipitation and other factors from this date to the end of the forecast period. As the season progresses accuracy of estimates improve. In addition to expected streamflow, reservoir storage, soil moisture in irrigated areas, and other factors are considered in estimating water supply. Estimates apply to irrigated areas along the main streams and may not indicate conditions on small tributaries.

WATER SUPPLY CONDITIONS

as of

March 1, 1968

THE MOUNTAIN SNOW PACK IS NEAR AVERAGE THROUGHOUT COLORADO AND NEW MEXICO. MOST STREAMS IN COLORADO AND NEW MEXICO ARE PREDICTED TO FLOW NEAR NORMAL THIS SUMMER. STREAMFLOW FORECASTS IN COLORADO RANGE FROM 80 PERCENT OF AVERAGE ON THE ARKANSAS TO 120 PERCENT IN THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE STATE. THE RIO GRANDE IN NEW MEXICO IS FORECAST AT 107 PERCENT OF AVERAGE THIS YEAR. OTHER STREAMS IN NEW MEXICO WILL FLOW FROM 80 - 128 PERCENT OF NORMAL. THIS YEAR'S WATER SUPPLIES WILL VARY LOCALLY DEPENDING UPON THE USAGE AND CARRY-OVER RESERVOIR STORAGE.



COLORADO - THE SNOW PACK IN COLORADO IS JUST ABOUT NORMAL IN ALL MOUNTAIN AREAS. THE MONTH END STORMS DROPPED AS MUCH AS SIX INCHES OF WATER IN THE FORM OF SNOW IN SOME AREAS. THIS YEAR'S WATER SUPPLIES WILL DEPEND TO A GREAT EXTENT UPON USAGE AND CARRY-OVER STORAGE. THE SOUTH PLATTE HAS GOOD CARRY-OVER STORAGE AND SHOULD HAVE A GOOD WATER YEAR. THE ARKANSAS DRAINAGE HAS BELOW NORMAL STORAGE AND COULD HAVE SOME SHORTAGE. THE REST OF THE STATE WILL HAVE ABOUT NORMAL SUPPLIES. VALLEY SOILS ARE GENERALLY IN GOOD CONDITION.



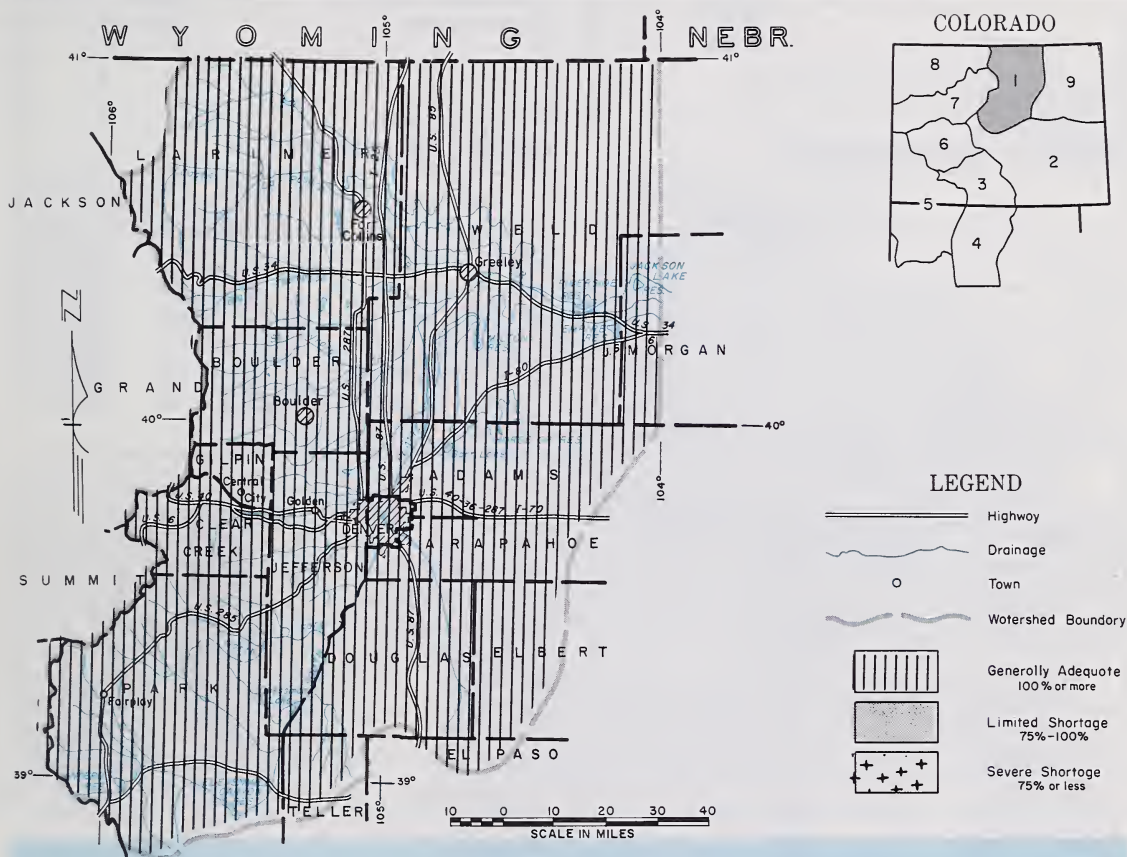
NEW MEXICO - WATER SUPPLIES SHOULD BE ABOUT NORMAL OVER THE STATE THIS SUMMER. RUNOFF FORECASTS RANGE FROM A LOW OF 80 PERCENT TO A HIGH OF 128 PERCENT. RESERVOIR STORAGE IS BELOW NORMAL IN MOST AREAS OF THE STATE AND NOT EXPECTED TO GAIN DURING THE SUMMER. SOME SHORTAGES, ESPECIALLY ON SMALL UNREGULATED STREAMS, COULD OCCUR. LATE SEASON SUPPLIES WILL BE ESPECIALLY LOW. VALLEY SOILS ARE REPORTED AS FAIR TO GOOD. IF CROPS DO NOT HAVE TO BE WATERED UP, NO SERIOUS SHORTAGES SHOULD OCCUR.

WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK FOR THE SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICTS IN THE SOUTH PLATTE RIVER WATERSHED IN COLORADO

as of

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YOUR WATER SUPPLY

STREAMFLOW SHOULD BE ADEQUATE OVER THE ENTIRE UPPER SOUTH PLATTE THIS SUMMER. SNOW OVER THE BASIN IS NEAR NORMAL. FORECASTS ARE FOR NEAR NORMAL FLOWS, IF THE REMAINDER OF THE SNOW YEAR IS AVERAGE OR ABOVE SNOWFALL. CARRY-OVER STORAGE IN THE AREA'S MANY RESERVOIRS IS 140 PERCENT OF THE 1948-62 AVERAGE AND WILL BE AN EXCELLENT SUPPLEMENT. MOUNTAIN SOIL MOISTURE IS IN GOOD CONDITION. VALLEY SOILS ARE REPORTED AS FAIR TO GOOD.

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The Conservation of Water begins with the Snow Survey

STREAMFLOW FORECASTS (1,000 Ac. Ft.) Apr-Sept

STREAM and STATION	FORECAST	THIS YEAR % AVE.	15 YR. AVE. 1948-62
Big Thompson at Drake (2)	100	91	110
Boulder at Orodell	57	106	54
Cache La Poudre at Canon Mouth (1)	200	109	183
Clear Creek at Golden (3)	144	107	134
Saint Vrain at Lyons	85	106	80

(1) Observed flow minus trans-basin diversions.
 (2) Observed flow plus by-pass to power plants.
 (3) Observed flow minus diversions through Jones Pass.

SUMMARY of SNOW MEASUREMENTS

RIVER	NUMBER of COURSES AVERAGED	THIS YEARS SNOW AS PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
Boulder	2	176	126
Big Thompson	4	110	91
Cache La Poudre	7	118	111
Clear Creek	4	109	99
Saint Vrain	2	150	109
South Platte	3	106	97

RESERVOIR STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.) Measured First of Month

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	15 YEAR AVE. 1948-62
Antero	33.0	15.9	14.9	13.4
Barr Lake	32.2	26.7	13.0	20.5
Black Hollow	8.0	3.5	3.3	3.1
Boyd Lake	44.0	41.7	28.2	18.6
Cache La Poudre	9.5	8.4	8.3	6.6
Carter Lake	108.9	92.5	77.8	63.0
Chambers Lake	8.8	3.2	2.8	2.2
Cheeseman	79.0	39.5	29.6	49.8
Cobb Lake	34.3	20.0	0.0	9.3
Eleven Mile	97.8	93.1	90.4	74.2
Fossil Creek	11.6	6.5	6.2	6.0
Gross	43.1	31.1	25.3	- -

WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK expressed "Poor,Fair,Good"

STREAM	FLOW PERIOD	
	April May	June Thru Sept.
Bear Creek	Fair	Fair
Coal Creek	Good	Fair
Deer Creek	Good	Fair
North Fork of So. Platte	Fair	Fair
North Fork of Cache La Poudre	Fair	Fair
Ralston Creek	Good	Fair
Rock Creek	Good	Fair

AVAILABLE SOIL MOISTURE

RIVER BASIN	NUMBER of STATIONS	THIS YEARS MOISTURE AS PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
South Platte	2	115	93
Clear Creek	2	106	91
Boulder	1	140	144
Saint Vrain	2	140	124
Big Thompson	3	138	102
Cache La Poudre	2	89	89

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	15 YEAR AVE. 1948-62
Halligan	6.4	4.5	3.1	2.9
Horsetooth	143.5	97.9	83.8	69.5
Lake Loveland	14.3	12.2	3.6	6.3
Lone Tree	9.2	8.0	4.1	5.8
Mariano	5.4	5.1	4.5	2.7
Marshall	10.3	5.5	1.2	2.5
Marston	18.0	13.8	15.5	13.8
Milton	24.4	16.4	6.0	10.7
Standley	42.0	29.3	8.2	10.2
Terry Lake	8.2	6.2	4.4	4.6
Union	12.7	11.5	6.3	7.6
Windsor	18.6	11.3	4.4	8.6

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STREAMFLOW FORECASTS (1,000 Ac. Ft.) Apr-Sept

STREAM and STATION	FORE CAST	THIS YEAR % AVE.	15 YR. AVE. 1948-62
Arkansas at Pueblo (4)	254	79	323
Arkansas at Salida (4)	275	80	345
Cucharas nr LaVeta	13	93	14
Purgatoire at Trinidad	40	89	45

(4) Observed flow plus change in Clear Creek, Twin Lakes, and Sugar Loaf Reservoirs minus diversions through Busk - Ivanhoe and Twin Lake Tunnels and Ewing, Front Pass, Wurtz and Columbine ditches.

SUMMARY of SNOW MEASUREMENTS

RIVER	NUMBER of COURSES AVERAGED	THIS YEARS SNOW AS PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
Arkansas	6	107	101
Cucharas and Purgatorie	1	189	105

WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK expressed "Poor,Fair,Good"

STREAM	FLOW PERIOD	
	April May	June Thru Sept.
Apishapa	Good	Fair
Fountain Creek	Good	Fair
Grape Creek	Good	Good
Harelscribble Creek	Good	Good
Huerfano	Good	Good
Monument Creek	Good	Fair

AVAILABLE SOIL MOISTURE

RIVER BASIN	NUMBER of STATIONS	THIS YEARS MOISTURE AS PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
Arkansas	3	136	146
Cucharas and Purgatorie	1	133	145

RESERVOIR STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.) Measured First of Month

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	15 YEAR AVE. 1948-62
Adobe Creek	61.6	7.4	28.0	13.9
Clear Creek	11.4	8.4	7.1	5.4
Cucharas	40.0	0.0	1.5	5.3
Great Plains	150.0	54.0	48.4	45.3
Horse Creek	26.9	0.4	8.3	6.0

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	15 YEAR AVE. 1948-62
John Martin	366.6	39.4	198.4	77.7
Meredith	41.9	2.3	6.9	10.2
Model	15.0	3.3	1.4	2.6
Sugar Loaf	17.4	1.6	9.2	7.0
Twin Lakes	57.9	30.4	17.9	19.7

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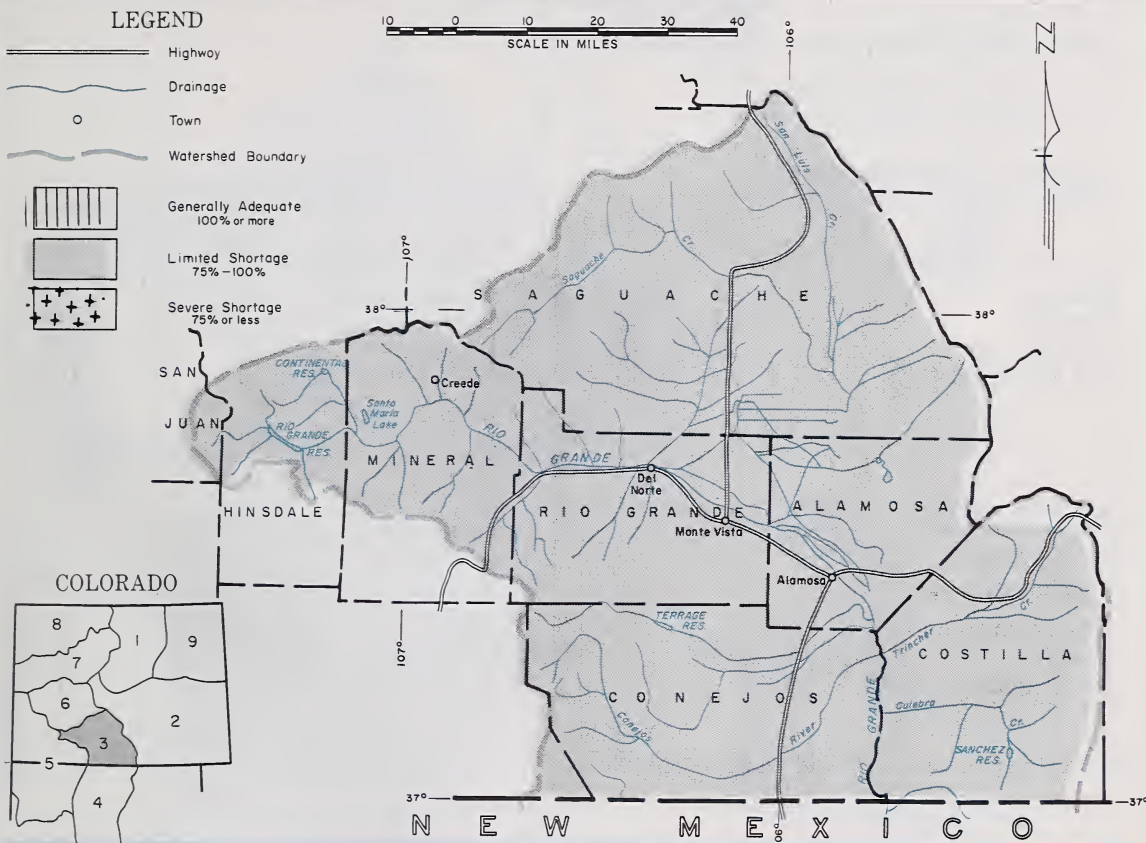
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WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK FOR THE SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICTS IN THE UPPER RIO GRANDE WATERSHED IN COLORADO

as of
March 1, 1968

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COLORADO EXPERIMENT STATION, STATE ENGINEERS OF COLORADO AND NEW MEXICO



THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY IN COLORADO SHOULD HAVE A NEAR NORMAL WATER SUPPLY THIS SUMMER. THE SNOW PACK ON THE MAIN STEM AND TRIBUTARIES IS NEAR NORMAL, BUT CONSIDERABLY LESS THAN LAST YEAR. FORECASTS RANGE FROM 95 PERCENT OF NORMAL ON THE CULEBRA TO 106 PERCENT ON THE RIO GRANDE. IF SNOW FALL REMAINS NORMAL OR ABOVE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR NO SERIOUS SHORTAGE IS EXPECTED. CARRY-OVER STORAGE IN THE BASIN'S MAJOR RESERVOIRS IS ABOUT 87 PERCENT OF NORMAL AND WILL BE A GOOD SUPPLEMENTAL SUPPLY. MOUNTAIN SOILS ARE WETTER THAN USUAL AND WILL HELP HOLD UP FLOWS. VALLEY SOILS ARE REPORTED TO BE IN GOOD CONDITION.

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STREAMFLOW FORECASTS (1,000 Ac. Ft.) Apr-Sept

STREAM and STATION	FORECAST	THIS YEAR AVE. 1948-62	
		% AVE.	15 YR. AVE.
Alamosa abv Terrace	69	101	68
Conejos nr Mogote	190	97	196
Culebra at San Luis (6)	20	95	21
Rio Grande at 30 Mile Bridge (5)	140	106	132
Rio Grande at Del Norte (5)	520	106	492
South Fork at South Fork	125	102	122

(5) Observed flow plus change in storage in Santa Maria, Rio Grande and Continental Reservoir.
 (6) Observed flow plus changes in storage in Sanchez Reservoir.

WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK expressed "Poor,Fair,Good"

STREAM	FLOW PERIOD	
	April May	June Thru Sept.
Saguache Creek	Good	Good
Sargrede Cristo Creek	Good	Good
Trinchera Creek	Good	Good

SUMMARY of SNOW MEASUREMENTS

RIVER	NUMBER of COURSES AVERAGED	THIS YEARS SNOW AS PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
Alamosa	2	122	95
Conejos	2	79	86
Culebra	2	136	98
Rio Grande	8	125	108

AVAILABLE SOIL MOISTURE

RIVER BASIN	NUMBER of STATIONS	THIS YEARS MOISTURE AS PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
Alamosa	2	127	114
Conejos	1	107	117
Culebra	1	133	145
Rio Grande	3	142	117

RESERVOIR STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.) Measured First of Month

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	15 YEAR AVE. 1948-62
Continental	26.7	4.0	4.7	5.4
Platoro	60.0	3.0	3.0	- -
Rio Grande	45.8	7.4	9.1	13.0

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	15 YEAR AVE. 1948-62
Sanchez	103.2	12.5	9.1	10.2
Santa Maria	45.0	2.6	3.1	6.8
Terrace	17.7	6.9	5.4	3.0

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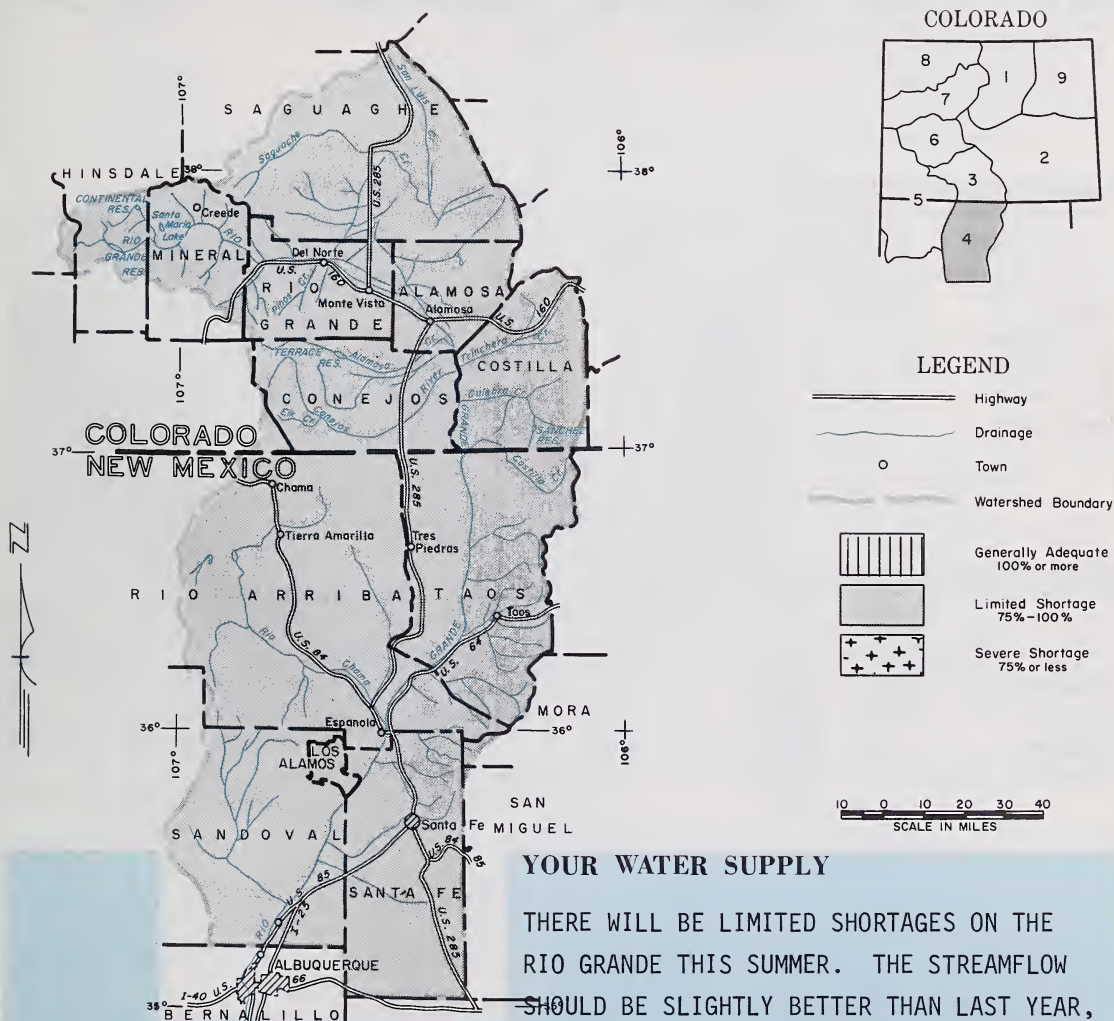
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STREAMFLOW FORECASTS(1,000 Ac. Ft.)

STREAM and STATION	FORECAST AS INDICATED	THIS YEAR % AVE.	15 YR. AVE. 1948-62
Costilla at Costilla (8)	20 AS	80	25
Pecos at Pecos	68 AS	128	53
Rio Chama nr La Puente	190 AS	89	214
Rio Grande at Otowi (7)	650 MJ	107	609
Rio Gra. at San Mar. (7)	455 MJ	108	424
Rio Hondo nr Valdez	18 AS	100	18
Red River at Questa	20 AJ	80	25

The Forecast of the Rio Grande at San Marcial is 66% of the Average used by the Elephant Butte Irrigation District.

A - S is April through September.

A - J is April through July.

M - J is March through July.

(7) Observed flow plus changes in storage in El Vado and Abiquiu Res.

(8) Observed flow plus changes in storage in Costilla Reservoir.

SUMMARY of SNOW MEASUREMENTS

RIVER	NUMBER of COURSES AVERAGED	THIS YEARS SNOW AS PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
Pecos	1	200 +	176
Rio Chama	3	178	93
Rio Grande, N.M.	9	200 +	109
Rio Hondo	1	162	105
Red River	2	200 +	109

WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK expressed "Poor,Fair,Good"

STREAM	FLOW PERIOD	
	March May	June July
Embudo Creek	Good	Fair
Jemez River	Good	Fair
Mora River	Good	Fair
Nambe Creek	Fair	Fair
Rio Ojo Caliente	Fair	Fair
Rio Pueblo de Taos	Fair	Fair
Santa Fe Creek	Good	Fair

AVAILABLE SOIL MOISTURE

RIVER BASIN	NUMBER of STATIONS	THIS YEARS MOISTURE AS PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
Pecos	2	105	87
Rio Chama	2	96	169
Rio Grande	5	77	88
Red River	1	100	72

RESERVOIR STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.) Measured First of Month

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	15 YEAR AVE. 1948-62
Alamogordo	122	72.0	68	76
Caballo	344	48.3	98	117
Conchas	600	184.2	191	239
Elephant Butte	2207	343.2	347	389

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	15 YEAR AVE. 1948-62
ElVado	196.5	1.2	1.2	17.2
McMillen-Avalon	37.0	11.4	26.4	17.8
Red Bluff Texas	307.0	102.5	183.0	71.8

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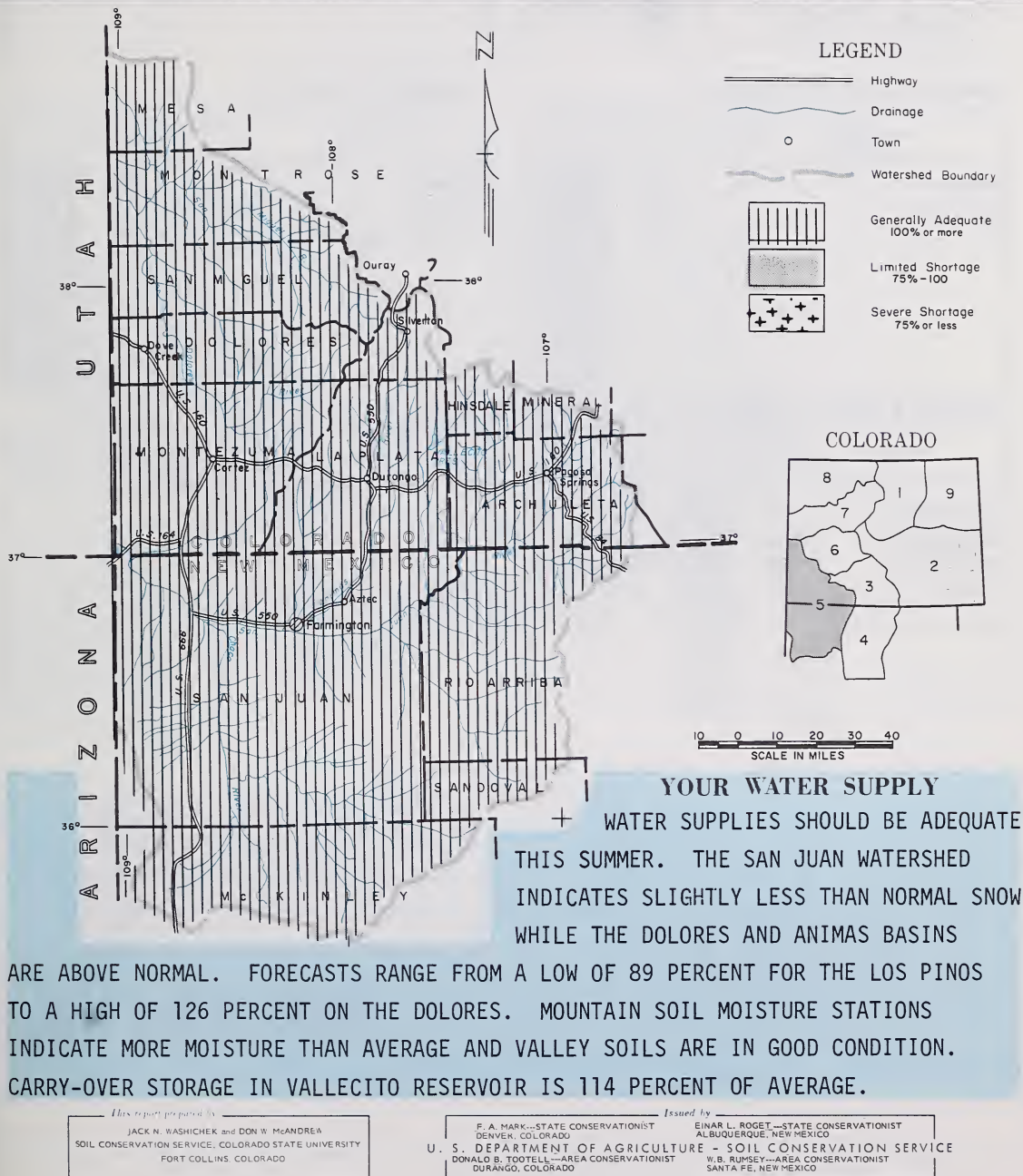
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STREAMFLOW FORECASTS (1,000 Ac. Ft.) Apr-Sept

STREAM and STATION	FORE CAST	THIS YEAR % AVE.	15 YR. AVE. 1948-62
Animas at Durango	530	116	456
Dolores at Dolores	330	126	260
La Plata at Hesperus	32	119	27
Los Pinos at Bayfield (9)	195	89	220
Piedra Creek at Piedra	195	107	182
San Juan at Carracs	465	118	393
Inflow to Navajo Res. (9)	720	104	693
(9) Observed flow plus changes in storage in Vallecito Reservoir.			

SUMMARY of SNOW MEASUREMENTS

RIVER	NUMBER of COURSES AVERAGED	THIS YEARS SNOW AS PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
Animas	5	117	107
Dolores	4	139	130
San Juan	5	103	92

WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK expressed "Poor,Fair,Good"

STREAM	FLOW PERIOD	
	April May	June Thru Sept.
Florida	Good	Good
Manoca	Good	Good
San Miguel	Good	Good

AVAILABLE SOIL MOISTURE

RIVER BASIN	NUMBER of STATIONS	THIS YEARS MOISTURE AS PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
Animas	3	126	109
Dolores	3	103	135
San Juan	2	115	105

RESERVOIR STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.) Measured First of Month

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	15 YEAR AVE. 1948-62
Groundhog	22	12.1	7.7	5.7
Navajo	1036	587.5	370.0	- -
Vallecito	126	35.4	52.1	45.8
Lemon	40	16.5	21.7	- -

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	15 YEAR AVE. 1948-62

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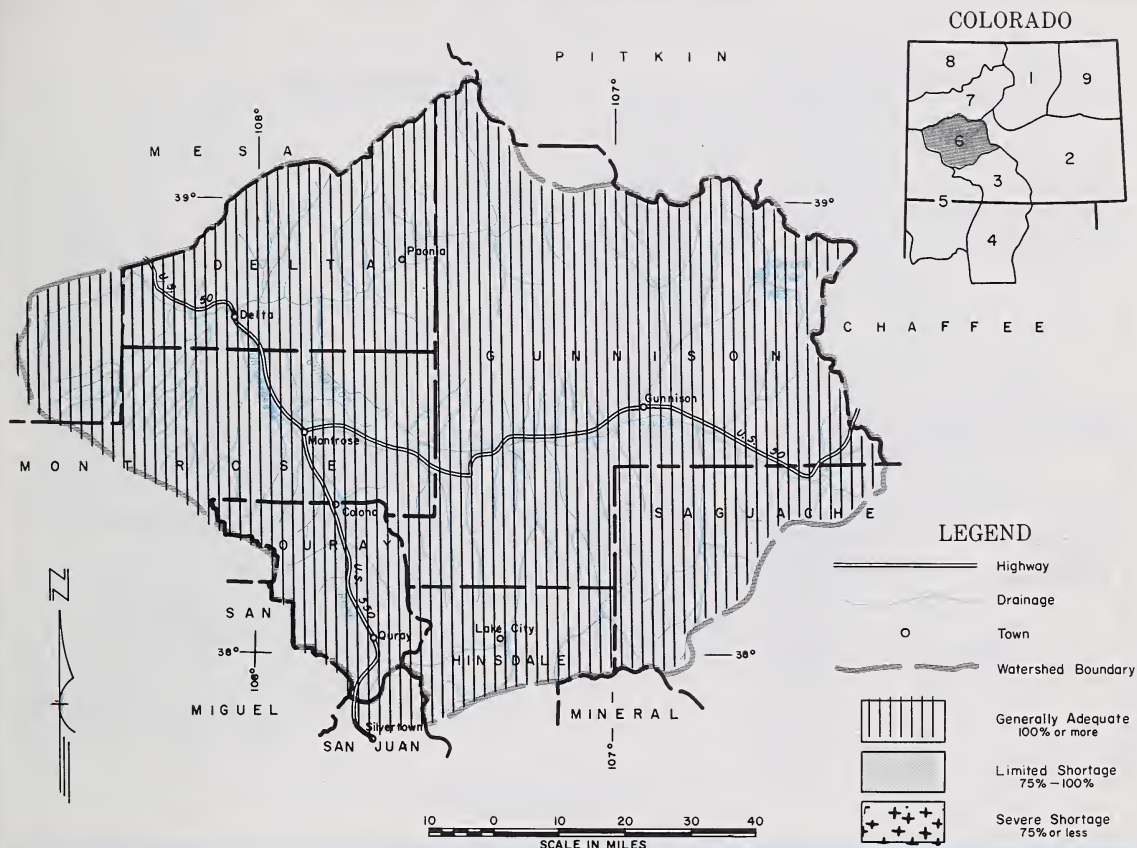
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YOUR WATER SUPPLY

THE SNOW PACK ON THE GUNNISON DRAINAGE REMAINS ABOUT NORMAL. FORECASTS OF THE STREAMS IN THIS BASIN VARY FROM 94 PERCENT OF NORMAL FOR SURFACE CREEK TO 108 PERCENT FOR THE UNCOMPAHGRE RIVER. IF THE REMAINDER OF THE SNOW YEAR IS NORMAL THERE SHOULD BE NO MATERIAL WATER SHORTAGES THIS SUMMER. MOUNTAIN SOILS ARE IN GOOD CONDITION. VALLEY SOIL MOISTURE IS REPORTED TO BE EXCELLENT. CARRY-OVER STORAGE IN TAYLOR RESERVOIR IS 79 PERCENT OF THE 15 YEAR AVERAGE.

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STREAMFLOW FORECASTS (1,000 Ac. Ft.) Apr-Sept

STREAM and STATION	FORE CAST	THIS YEAR % AVE.	15 YR. AVE. 1948-62
Gunnison nr Grand Junction	1350	103	1305
Surface Cr. nr Cedaridge	16	94	17
Uncompahgre at Colona	150	108	139
(9) Observed flow plus changes in storage in Vallecito Reservoir.			

SUMMARY of SNOW MEASUREMENTS

RIVER	NUMBER of COURSES AVERAGED	THIS YEARS SNOW AS PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
Gunnison	8	98	97
Surface Creek	3	87	93
Uncompahgre	3	145	123

WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK expressed "Poor,Fair,Good"

STREAM	FLOW PERIOD	
	April May	June Thru Sept.
North Fork of Gunnison Taylor	Good Fair	Good Fair

AVAILABLE SOIL MOISTURE

RIVER BASIN	NUMBER of STATIONS	THIS YEARS MOISTURE AS PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
Gunnison	1	168	142
Surface Creek	1	113	---
Uncompahgre	1	127	103

RESERVOIR STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.) Measured First of Month

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	15 YEAR AVE. 1948-62
Taylor	106.2	53.0	44.5	56.6
Blue Mesa	941.0	353.0	- -	- -

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	15 YEAR AVE. 1948-62

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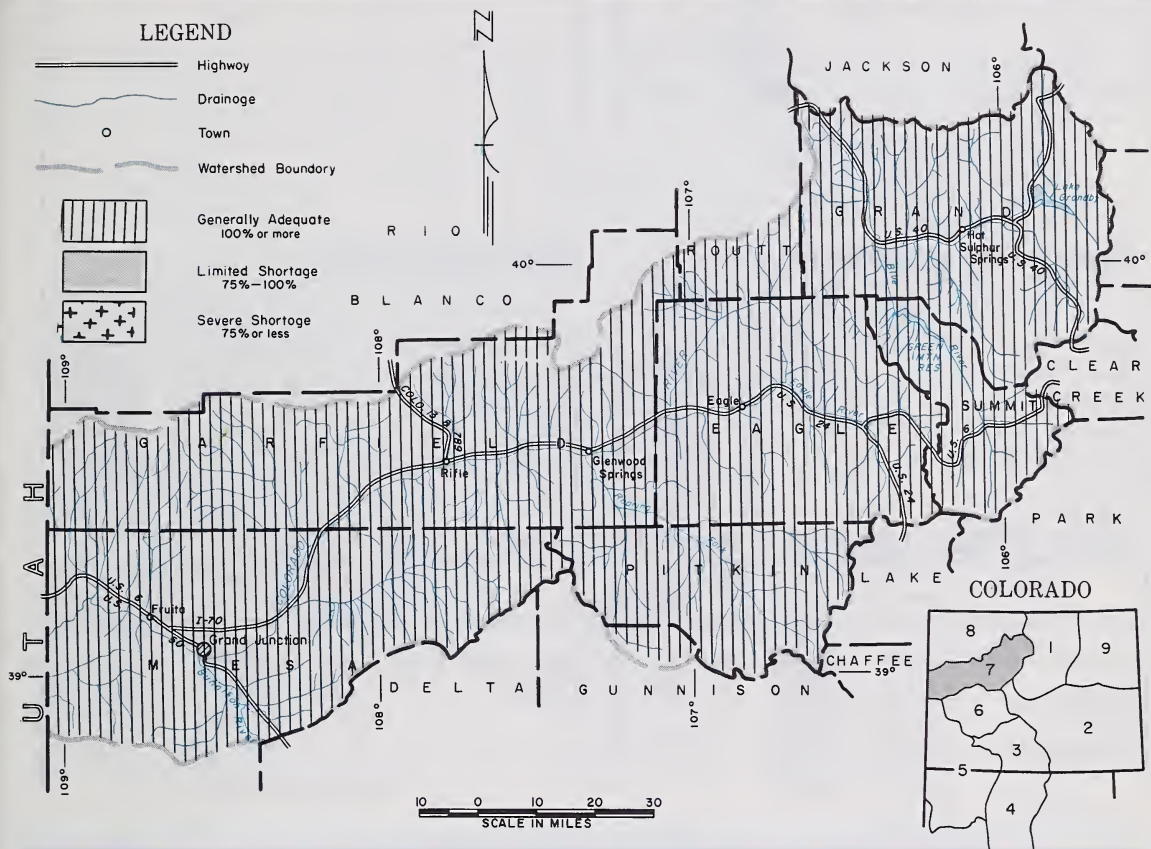
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YOUR WATER SUPPLY

THE COLORADO BASIN SHOULD HAVE NO WATER SHORTAGES THIS SUMMER IF THE REMAINDER OF THE SNOW SEASON IS AT LEAST NORMAL. CURRENT SNOW PACK IS NEAR NORMAL, WITH THE HIGH POINT OF 112 PERCENT ON THE ROARING FORK. CURRENT STREAMFLOW FORECASTS RANGE FROM 94 PERCENT OF AVERAGE ON WILLOW CREEK TO 117 PERCENT ON THE WILLIAMS FORK. THE MAIN STEM OF THE COLORADO SHOULD FLOW ABOUT NORMAL. SOIL MOISTURE STATIONS INDICATE SLIGHTLY LESS MOISTURE THAN NORMAL, BUT MUCH BETTER THAN LAST YEAR. VALLEY SOILS ARE REPORTED TO BE IN GOOD CONDITION.

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STREAMFLOW FORECASTS (1,000 Ac. Ft.) Apr-Sept

STREAM and STATION	FORE CAST	THIS YEAR % AVE.	15 YR. AVE. 1948-62
Blue Rv abv. Green Mt (10)	260	95	274
Colo Rv nr Granby (11)	250	107	233
Colo. Rv abv Glenwood Springs (12)	1600	103	1556
Roaring Fork at Glenwood Springs (14)	800	105	762
Williams Fk nr Parshall (15)	90	117	77
Willow abv Will. Cr. Res.	45	94	48
Colo. nr Cameo (12)	2500	113	2213

(10) Observed flow plus change in storage in Dillon Reservoir.

(11) Observed flow diversions by Adams Tunnel and
Grand River Ditch plus change in storage in Granby Reservoir.

(12) Observed flow plus the changes as indicated in (11) plus Moffat Ditch.

(14) Observed flow plus diversion through Twin Lakes Tunnel.

(15) Observed flow plus diversions through Jones Pass Tunnel.

WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK expressed "Poor,Fair,Good"

STREAM	FLOW PERIOD	
	April May	June Thru Sept.
Brush	Fair	Fair
Eagle River	Good	Fair
Gypsum Creek	Good	Fair

SUMMARY of SNOW MEASUREMENTS

RIVER	NUMBER of COURSES AVERAGED	THIS YEARS SNOW AS PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
Blue River	7	102	98
Colorado	19	105	105
Roaring Fork	6	84	99
Williams Fork	3	99	112
Willow	2	76	90
Plateau	3	88	94

AVAILABLE SOIL MOISTURE

RIVER BASIN	NUMBER of STATIONS	THIS YEARS MOISTURE AS PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
Blue River	1	115	79
Colorado	6	103	94
Roaring Fork	1	115	102
Willow	1	111	90

RESERVOIR STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.) Measured First of Month

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	15 YEAR AVE. 1948-62
Dillon	254	226.8	214	---
Granby	466	118.0	90	201
Green Mountain	147	75.2	56	74

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	15 YEAR AVE. 1948-62
Williams Fork	96.8	25.0	3.1	- -
Vega	32.1	2.4	6.8	- -

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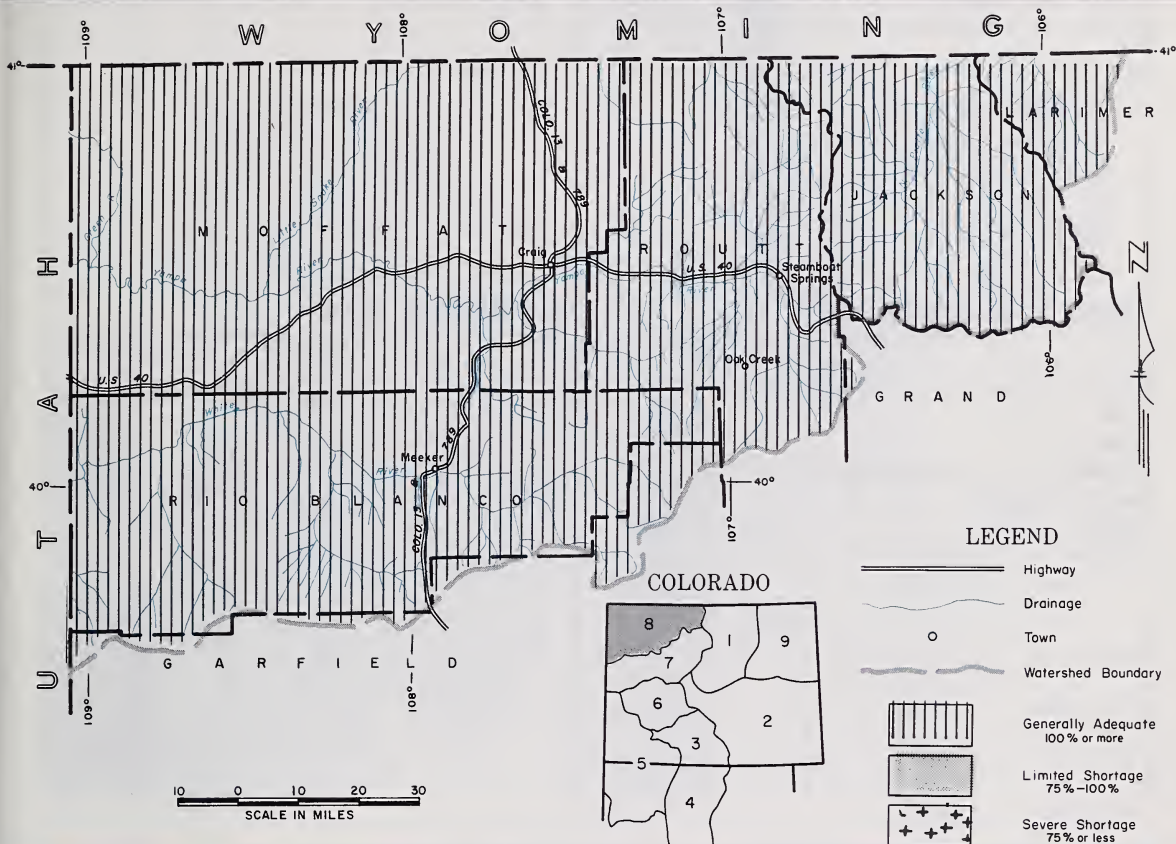
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YOUR WATER SUPPLY

THIS AREA SHOULD HAVE ADEQUATE WATER THIS SUMMER. CURRENT SNOW PACK RANGES FROM 95 PERCENT OF NORMAL ON THE ELK TO 113 PERCENT ON THE YAMPA. FORECASTS, BASED ON NORMAL PRECIPITATION FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR, ARE ALL NORMAL OR ABOVE. IF THE NEXT FEW MONTHS PRODUCE AT LEAST NORMAL SNOW, WATER SUPPLIES SHOULD BE SUFFICIENT FOR MOST NEEDS. SOIL MOISTURE STATIONS INDICATE NEAR NORMAL MOISTURE IN THE HIGH MOUNTAINS EXCEPT ON THE YAMPA WATERSHED. HERE MOISTURE IS ONLY 60 PERCENT OF NORMAL. VALLEY SOILS ARE IN GOOD CONDITION.

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STREAMFLOW FORECASTS (1,000 Ac. Ft.) Apr—Sept

STREAM and STATION	FORE CAST	THIS YEAR % AVE.	15 YR. AVE. 1948-62
Elk at Clark	240	117	205
Laramie at Jelm	120		112
Little Snake at Lilly	350	109	321
North Platte at Northgate	319	123	260
White at Meeker	332	100	332
Yampa at Maybell	1050	114	923
Yampa at Steamboat Spgs.	320	110	292

WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK expressed "Poor,Fair,Good"

STREAM	FLOW PERIOD	
	April May	June Thru Sept.
Canadian River	Good	Good
Hunt Creek	Good	Good
Illinois River	Good	Good
Michigan River	Good	Good
Oak Creek	Good	Good
Trout Creek	Good	Good

SUMMARY of SNOW MEASUREMENTS

RIVER	NUMBER of COURSES AVERAGED	THIS YEARS SNOW AS PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
Elk	1	95	114
Laramie	2	99	95
North Platte	5	93	106
White	2	109	98
Yampa	5	113	106

AVAILABLE SOIL MOISTURE

RIVER BASIN	NUMBER of STATIONS	THIS YEARS MOISTURE AS PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
Laramie	2	89	89
North Platte	2	104	93
Yampa	2	98	60

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SOME SHORTAGES OF WATER MAY EXIST, HOWEVER, IT SHOULD NOT BE SERIOUS. SNOWFALL IN THE HEADWATERS AREAS IS NEAR NORMAL. IF SNOWFALL REMAINS AVERAGE OR ABOVE, THE MAIN STEM OF THE SOUTH PLATTE AND IT'S TRIBUTARIES SHOULD HAVE NEAR AVERAGE RUNOFF. RESERVOIRS ON THE LOWER PLATTE HAVE GOOD CARRY-OVER STORAGE AND WILL BE AN EXCELLENT SUPPLEMENT TO STREAMFLOW. SOILS ARE REPORTED IN FAIR TO GOOD CONDITION IN THE IRRIGATED AREAS AND IN RELATIVELY GOOD CONDITION IN THE DRY LANDS. LATE SEASON STREAMFLOW WILL BE ONLY FAIR.

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STREAMFLOW FORECASTS (1,000 Ac.Ft.) Apr-Sept

STREAM and STATION	FORECAST	THIS YEAR AS PERCENT OF	
		1948-62	15 YR. AVE.
Big Thompson at Drake (2)	100	91	110
Boulder at Orodell	57	106	54
Cache La Poudre at Canon Mouth (1)	200	109	83
Clear Creek at Golden (3)	144	107	134
Saint Vrain at Lyons	85	106	80

(1) Observed flow minus trans-basin diversions.
 (2) Observed flow plus by-pass to power plants.
 (3) Observed flow minus diversions through Jones Pass.

WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK expressed "Poor,Fair,Good"

STREAM	FLOW PERIOD	
	April May	June Thru Sept.
South Platte from Greeley to Fort Morgan	Fair	Fair
South Platte from Fort Morgan to Sterling	Fair	Fair
South Platte below Sterling	Fair	Fair

SUMMARY of SNOW MEASUREMENTS

RIVER	NUMBER of COURSES AVERAGED	THIS YEARS SNOW AS PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
Boulder	2	176	126
Big Thompson	4	110	91
Cache La Poudre	7	118	111
Clear Creek	4	109	99
Saint Vrain	2	150	109
South Platte	3	106	97

AVAILABLE SOIL MOISTURE

RIVER BASIN	NUMBER of STATIONS	THIS YEARS MOISTURE AS PERCENT OF	
		Last Year	Average
South Platte	2	115	93
Clear Creek	2	106	91
Boulder	1	140	144
Saint Vrain	2	140	124
Big Thompson	3	138	102
Cache La Poudre	2	89	89

RESERVOIR STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.) Measured First of Month

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	15 YEAR AVE. 1948-62
Carter	108.9	92.5	77.8	63.0
Cheeseman	79.0	39.5	29.6	49.8
Eleven Mile	97.8	93.1	90.4	74.2
Empire	37.7	33.6	28.9	27.4
Horsetooth	43.5	97.9	83.8	69.5

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	15 YEAR AVE. 1948-62
Jackson	35.4	33.2	32.2	30.6
Julesburg	28.2	20.5	20.5	20.6
Prewitt	32.8	23.0	8.3	18.0
Point of Rocks	70.0	64.0	54.1	51.8
Riverside	57.5	55.2	47.1	44.0

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Snow Course	CURRENT MEASUREMENT			PAST RECORD	
	DATE OF SURVEY	SNOW DEPTH (INCHES)	WATER CONTENT (PERCENT)	WATER CONTENT (INCHES)	
				LAST YEAR	AVG. 48-62
NORTH PLATTE BASIN					
<u>Laramie River</u>					
Deadman (A)	2/29	38	12.2	12.0	12.9
McIntyre	NS	--	--	--	--
Roach (A)	2/29	48	15.4	15.8	16.2
<u>North Platte River</u>					
Cameron Pass	2/27	77	25.3	21.6	19.2
Columbine Lodge	2/29	65	20.6	21.9	20.5
Northgate *	2/27	27	5.9	8.0	5.6
Park View	2/28	34	6.2	9.4	7.9
Willow Cr. Pass (B)	2/28	43	10.3	12.6	11.0
SOUTH PLATTE BASIN					
<u>Boulder Creek</u>					
Boulder Falls *	2/28	52	16.8	8.3	9.9
University Camp	2/28	62	18.0	11.4	17.6
<u>Big Thompson River</u>					
Deer Ridge *	2/28	20	3.6	3.3	4.7
Hidden Valley	2/28	37	7.4	6.5	9.4
Lake Irene (B)	2/25	75	19.0	19.5	20.0
Long's Peak *	2/24	34	9.5	8.5	9.8
Two Mile *	2/28	48	11.5	8.3	12.6
<u>Cache La Poudre</u>					
Bennett Creek	2/28	30	6.6	--	--
Big South	2/25	13	3.1	2.4	2.5
Cameron Pass	2/27	77	25.3	21.6	19.2
Chambers Lake	2/25	35	9.8	7.0	7.8
Deadman Hill (A)	2/29	38	12.2	12.0	12.9
Hour Glass Lake	2/28	26	5.4	4.4	6.0
Joe Wright	2/27	69	19.3	18.6	--
Lost Lake *	2/25	40	11.2	9.1	10.8
Pine Creek	2/29	13	3.0	1.4	--
Red Feather *	2/29	28	5.6	5.2	6.5
<u>Clear Creek</u>					
Baltimore	2/29	34	8.0	4.8	--
Berthoud Falls *	2/29	51	12.1	9.5	13.0
Empire *	2/29	30	6.9	6.8	6.5
Grizzly Peak (B)	2/28	63	15.5	14.3	15.0
Loveland Lift	2/29	77	20.1	9.8	--
Loveland Pass	2/29	56	12.5	13.4	13.1
<u>Saint Vrain River</u>					
Copeland Lake *	2/28	21	4.8	3.7	4.5
Ward *	2/28	26	6.0	3.5	5.4
Wild Basin	NS	--	--	9.0	11.9
<u>South Platte River</u>					
Como	2/27	31	6.6	6.0	--
Geneva Park *	2/28	21	3.1	3.8	3.7
Horseshoe Mt.	2/26	33	6.1	8.2	--
Hoosier Pass	2/28	46	10.6	9.7	11.1
Jefferson Creek *	2/27	33	8.5	7.3	8.0
Mosquito	2/27	40	7.6	8.5	--
Trout Creek Pass	2/26	16	3.8	12.1	--
ARKANSAS BASIN					
<u>Arkansas River</u>					
Bigelow Divide	2/28	45	8.7	3.0	--
Cooper Hill (B)	2/27	50	9.6	9.9	--
East Fork *	2/28	37	8.6	8.5	8.4
Four Mile Park	2/28	31	6.4	6.5	4.5
Fremont Pass	2/28	56	13.1	13.9	13.8
Garfield	2/29	40	10.8	10.8	--
Monarch Pass	2/29	45	13.1	11.7	15.6
Tennessee Pass	2/28	44	9.2	9.3	8.7
Twin Lakes Tunnel	2/28	37	8.5	10.0	9.7
Westcliffe *	2/28	41	10.4	6.0	5.5

SNOW COURSE	CURRENT MEASUREMENT			PAST RECORD	
	DATE OF SURVEY	SNOW DEPTH (INCHES)	WATER CONTENT (PERCENT)	WATER CONTENT (INCHES)	
				LAST YEAR	AVG. 48-62
<u>Cucharas River</u>					
Blue Lakes	2/27	28	6.8	--	--
Cucharas Pass	2/28	35	8.2	3.9	--
LaVeta Pass (B)	2/28	37	8.9	4.7	8.5
<u>Purgatoire River</u>					
Burbon	NS	--	--	5.8	6.7
RIO GRANDE BASIN-Colo					
<u>Alamosa River</u>					
Silver Lakes	2/26	27	7.0	5.3	6.6
Summitville (A)	2/28	46	13.8	11.8	15.5
<u>Conejos River</u>					
Cumbers (A)	2/28	46	13.8	19.8	17.0
Platoro (A) *	2/28	48	14.4	17.3	13.5
River Springs	2/26	17	4.3	4.8	7.1
<u>Culebra River</u>					
Brown Cabin	2/28	29	5.5	4.4	--
Cottonwood (B)	2/28	26	5.4	--	--
Culebra (A)	2/28	30	7.8	7.5	8.5
LaVeta Pass (B)	2/28	37	8.9	4.7	8.5
Trinchera (B)	2/27	30	7.8	5.1	--
<u>Rio Grande</u>					
Cochetopa Pass *	2/28	23	5.4	2.0	4.9
Grayback	NS	--	--	--	--
Hway *	2/28	59	20.0	20.1	21.6
Lake Humphrey (A) *	2/28	32	8.3	3.4	6.6
Love Lake	2/28	32	8.3	4.2	--
Pass Creek *	2/28	44	13.5	9.2	10.2
Pool Table (A) *	2/28	26	6.5	3.6	5.5
Porcupine *	2/26	36	10.6	7.3	9.6
Santa Maria	2/27	23	6.3	4.5	5.0
Upper Rio Grande	2/28	35	10.3	5.1	7.9
Wolf Cr. Pass	2/28	66	22.6	25.1	25.6
Wolf Cr. Sum. (B)	2/28	70	22.8	23.7	23.2
RIO GRANDE BASIN-N.M.					
<u>Pecos River</u>					
Panchuela	2/28	19	5.1	0.4	2.9
<u>Rio Chama</u>					
Bateman *	2/26	35	10.5	7.0	9.8
Capulin Peak	2/29	23	5.3	2.2	--
Chama Divide	2/27	14	3.9	0.5	4.2
Chamita	2/27	27	7.0	4.5	9.0
<u>Rio Grande</u>					
Aspen Grove	2/28	24	4.9	--	4.5
Big Tesuque	2/27	16	4.8	1.5	4.5
Bluebird Mesa	3/1	24	4.9	1.5	--
Cordova (A)	2/28	39	10.9	6.2	10.0
Elk Cabin	2/28	19	4.0	0.2	3.2
Fenton Hill *	2/29	22	5.7	1.1	4.1
Mora View	2/23	12	3.0	0.0	0.0
Pajarito Peak	3/1	7	1.1	0.0	0.0
Payrole (A)	2/28	37	10.0	3.6	9.0
Quemazon *	2/27	28	8.0	4.1	7.4
Rio En Medio *	2/27	25	6.4	4.5	6.7
Sandavol	2/27	21	6.4	0.9	--
Taos Canyon	2/27	17	4.6	2.0	4.8
Tres Ritos	2/23	20	5.0	1.8	4.9
<u>Rio Hondo</u>					
Twinning	2/27	28	8.7	5.7	--
<u>Red River</u>					
Hematite Park	2/26	18	5.0	1.4	4.2
Red River	2/26	24	6.4	2.7	6.3

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SNOW COURSE	CURRENT INFORMATION			PAST RECORD	
	DATE OF SURVEY	SNOW DEPTH (INCHES)	WATER CONTENT (INCHES)	LAST YEAR	49-62
SAN JUAN-DOLORES BASIN					
<u>Animas River</u>					
Cascade	2/28	43	14.9	10.6	11.9
Lemon	2/27	36	11.6	-	-
Mineral Creek*	2/28	61	17.5	12.3	13.2
Molas Lake*	2/28	46	14.7	12.6	12.7
Red Mountain*	2/28	100	30.2	21.0	26.0
Purgatoire	2/27	61	20.0	15.7	-
Silverton Sub-Sta.	2/28	42	11.7	7.9	5.6
Spud Mountain*	2/28	71	23.2	19.0	21.7
<u>Dolores River</u>					
Lizard Head	2/28	57	17.2	14.6	13.2
Lone Cone	2/28	50	14.8	12.8	-
Rico	2/28	34	10.4	4.9	8.0
Telluride	2/27	33	8.7	5.1	6.7
Trout Lake*	2/27	56	14.8	12.1	11.5
<u>San Juan River</u>					
Chama Divide (B)	2/27	14	3.9	0.5	4.2
Chamita (B)	2/27	27	7.0	4.5	9.0
Upper San Juan	2/28	75	26.2	26.0	28.2
Wolf Cr. Pass (B)	2/28	66	22.6	25.1	25.6
Wolf Cr. Summit	2/28	70	22.8	23.7	23.2
GUNNISON RIVER					
<u>Gunnison River</u>					
Alexander Lake (A)	2/25	65	16.9	19.2	17.8
Black Mesa	NS	--	-	-	-
Blue Mesa*	2/28	37	9.6	5.8	6.5
Butte	2/28	49	13.2	13.9	-
Cochetopa Pass*(B)	2/28	23	5.4	2.0	4.9
Crested Butte	2/27	44	11.6	11.7	12.1
Keystone	2/26	57	15.5	19.9	-
Lake City	2/27	32	7.6	4.6	8.0
Long Draw	NS	--	-	-	-
Mesa Lakes (B)	2/27	51	12.5	15.3	14.3
McClure Pass* (A)	2/25	58	16.8	19.7	15.5
Park Cone	2/25	32	7.3	11.1	9.7
Park Reservoir (A)	2/25	72	20.2	22.3	21.1
Porphyry Creek	2/29	44	12.2	11.6	14.5
Tomichi	2/29	37	10.4	9.6	-
<u>Surface Creek</u>					
Alexander Lake (A)	2/25	65	16.9	19.2	17.8
Mesa Lakes (B)	2/27	51	12.5	15.3	14.3
Park Reservoir (A)	2/25	72	20.2	22.3	21.1
<u>Uncompahgre River</u>					
Ironton Park	2/28	55	14.7	10.8	10.7
Red Mountain Pass*	2/28	100	30.2	21.0	26.0
Telluride (B)	2/27	33	8.7	5.1	6.7
COLORADO BASIN					
<u>Blue River</u>					
Blue River*	2/28	37	7.5	7.4	7.5
Fremont Pass	2/28	56	13.1	13.9	13.8
Frisco*	2/28	29	7.5	6.8	7.5
Grizzly Peak	2/28	63	15.5	14.3	15.0
Hoosier Pass (B)	2/28	46	10.6	9.7	11.1
Shrine Pass	2/28	63	14.7	15.1	14.6
Snake River*	2/28	26	7.2	7.5	7.9
Summit Ranch*	NS	--	-	6.8	7.8

SNOW COURSE	CURRENT INFORMATION			PAST RECORD	
	DATE OF SURVEY	SNOW DEPTH (INCHES)	WATER CONTENT (INCHES)	LAST YEAR	49-62
Colorado River					
Arrow	2/28	45	11.6	10.9	9.5
Berthoud Pass	2/28	58	14.3	12.7	12.2
Berthoud Summit*	2/29	68	16.9	16.0	16.5
Cooper Hill	2/27	50	9.6	9.1	-
Fiddler Gulch	EST	64	16.3	15.0	14.9
Glen Mar Ranch	2/28	35	6.4	7.5	7.0
Gore Pass*	2/25	37	8.7	8.3	9.1
Grand Lake*	2/26	36	7.9	8.0	7.5
Lake Irene	2/25	75	19.0	19.5	20.0
Lapland	2/28	38	8.6	9.3	10.0
Lulu	2/27	62	16.1	14.9	14.2
Lynx Pass	2/25			11.2	11.8
McKinzie Pass	2/26	25	5.7	6.1	-
Middle Fork	2/28	41	9.3	8.6	8.0
Milner	2/25	54	12.0	-	-
North Inlet	2/26	41	9.7	8.5	8.3
Pando*	2/28	35	7.7	8.1	9.1
Phantom Valley	2/25	48	10.4	11.9	9.2
Ranch Creek*	2/28	38	8.5	7.3	7.3
Tennessee Pass	2/28			9.3	8.7
Vail Pass*	2/28	60	15.6	12.9	16.0
Vasquez	2/26	42	11.3	9.7	10.4
Roaring Fork River					
Aspen	2/26	47	12.3	17.5	-
Chapman	3/1	47	11.5	12.0	-
Independence Pass	2/28	54	13.9	15.1	14.9
Ivanhoe	3/2	59	15.2	15.1	15.6
Kiln	3/2	42	10.7	10.9	-
Last Chance	2/28	37	8.3	10.7	-
Lift*	2/26	45	12.4	18.0	13.9
McClure Pass* (A)	2/25	58	16.8	19.7	15.5
Nast	3/1	27	6.1	7.6	6.3
North Lost Tr. (A)	2/25	59	14.8	19.0	13.7
Williams Fork River					
Glen Mar Ranch	2/28	35	6.4	7.5	7.0
Jones Pass*	2/27	58	13.3	13.1	10.9
Middle Fork	2/28	41	9.2	8.6	8.0
Willow Creek					
Granby*	2/25	26	5.2	7.8	6.2
Willow Cr. Pass	2/28	43	10.3	12.6	11.0
Plateau Creek					
Mesa Lakes	2/27	51	12.5	15.3	14.3
Park Reservoir (A)	2/25	72	20.2	22.3	21.1
Trickle Divide (A)	2/25	77	21.6	23.9	22.5
YAMPA BASIN					
<u>Elk River</u>					
Clark	NS	--	-	14.7	-
Elk River	2/28	65	18.2	19.2	15.9
Hahn's Peak	2/28	53	13.8	-	-
White River					
Burro Mountain (A)	2/25	58	15.1	14.6	15.7
Rio Blanco	2/27	56	13.7	11.8	13.6
Yampa River					
Bear River	NS	--	-	-	-
Columbine Lodge(B)	2/29	65	20.6	21.9	20.9
Dry Lake	2/27	65	19.6	17.3	18.9
Lynx Pass (B)	2/25	50	12.4	11.2	10.8
Rabbit Ears	2/29	81	25.5	20.1	24.9
Yampa View*	2/29	53	15.6	12.2	13.8

APPENDIX II

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STATION	DATE OF SURVEY	CAPACITY (INCHES)	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	AVG. ALL DATA
NORTH PLATTE BASIN					
<u>North Platte River</u>					
Muddy Pass	11/22/67	11.1	6.2	6.3	6.5
Willow Pass	11/3/67	9.5	6.2	5.6	6.9
SOUTH PLATTE BASIN					
<u>Boulder Creek</u>					
Alpine Camp	12/11/67	6.9	5.2	3.7	3.6
<u>Big Thompson River</u>					
Beaver Dam	1/21/68	7.1	4.6	2.9	3.9
Guard Station	10/10/67	6.9	3.5	2.5	3.4
Two Mile	1/21/68	9.1	5.0	4.1	5.6
<u>Clear Creek</u>					
Clear Creek	11/29/67	9.5	7.7	7.1	9.0
Hoop Creek	11/17/67	4.9	3.0	3.0	2.8
<u>Cache La Poudre River</u>					
Feather	10/27/67	10.1	4.5	3.9	4.6
Laramie Road	10/17/67	12.4	6.6	8.6	7.9
<u>South Platte River</u>					
Hoosier Pass	11/10/67	7.8	4.8	4.1	5.0
Kenosha Pass	11/10/67	4.4	2.3	2.1	2.6
ARKANSAS BASIN					
<u>Arkansas River</u>					
Garfield	11/15/67	6.7	6.0	4.4	3.6
Leadville	11/15/67	7.8	5.7	3.7	4.1
Twin Lakes Tunnel	11/15/67	4.5	2.8	2.6	2.2
RIO GRANDE BASIN, Colorado					
<u>Conejos River</u>					
Mogote	10/16/67	10.7	6.3	5.9	5.4
<u>Rio Grande</u>					
Alberta Park	10/13/67	8.2	6.2	3.9	5.0
Bristol View	10/17/67	6.1	2.4	-	4.0
LaVeta Pass	10/17/67	11.9	10.0	7.5	6.9
RIO GRANDE BASIN, New Mexico					
<u>Rio Chama</u>					
Bateman	2/26/68	6.7	4.4	4.6	2.6
Chamita	NS	8.0	-	5.2	3.7
<u>Rio Grande</u>					
Aqua Piedra	2/27/68	7.2	3.0	4.8	3.7
Big Tesuque	NS	3.7	-	NS	1.7
Fenton Hill	NS	6.5	-	NS	4.5
Rio En Medio	NS	3.5	-	1.1	1.1
Taos Canyon	2/27/68	3.3	2.3	2.0	2.3
<u>Red River</u>					
Red Summit	2/27/68	4.8	1.5	1.5	2.1
ANIMAS - SAN JUAN BASINS					
<u>Animas River</u>					
Cascade	11/14/67	9.1	5.9	4.6	6.5
Mineral Creek	11/14/67	5.7	3.8	3.0	3.7
Molas Lake	11/14/67	9.4	6.2	5.0	4.4
<u>Dolores River</u>					
Dolores	11/13/67	19.6	12.7	12.5	5.2
Lizzard Head	11/13/67	11.8	7.6	8.1	8.4
Rico	11/13/67	13.8	11.1	9.9	9.7
GUNNISON BASIN					
<u>Gunnison River</u>					
King	11/15/67	3.3	2.7	1.6	1.9

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COLORADO BASIN (MAINSTEM)					
<u>Blue River</u>					
Blue River	11/10/67	4.2	2.3	2.0	2.9
<u>Colorado River</u>					
Berthoud Pass	11/17/67	3.9	2.9	3.0	2.8
Gore	11/6/67	4.9	2.3	2.3	2.6
Grand Mesa	11/14/67	12.5	8.9	7.9	- -
Ranch Creek	11/15/67	8.7	5.1	5.0	6.2
Vail	11/29/67	12.3	6.4	6.2	7.0
Vasquez Siphon	Estimated	11.0	6.6	6.8	7.4
<u>Roaring Fork River</u>					
Placita	11/25/67	9.3	5.3	4.6	5.2
YAMPA BASIN					
<u>Yampa River</u>					
Hahn's Peak	11/22/67	19.0	5.9	6.1	13.8

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